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CLIFFORD'S PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF A LETTER FROM OZER HATAY,
PRESIDENT OF THE TURKISH CYPRIOT JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION, TO
SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE CLARK CLIFFORD. THE LETTER WAS PUBLISHED
AUG 11 BY "TFSC PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE" AS A PRESS RELEASE.

BEGIN TEXT
YOUR EXCELLENCY.
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WE REGRET YOUR REMARK TO THE EFFECT THAT WE, THE TURKISH
CYPRIOT JOURNALISTS, WERE NOT ALLOWED TO ATTEND YOUR PRESS
CONFERENCE HELD IN THE GREEK SOUTH YESTERDAY. THIS IS
UTTERLY UNTRUE.
INDEED, WE SAW NO REASON TO ATTEND YOUR PRESS CONFERENCE
AFTER COMING TO KNOW ABOUT THE WAY YOU EULOGIZED ARCHBISHOP
MAKARIOS, WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY AND GUILT IN BRINGING THE

BI-NATIONAL STATE OF CYPRUS TO THE BRINK OF UTTER DIVISION
AND WHOSE TERRORISTIC ACTIVITIES AND PLANNED DESTRUCTION OF
THE TURKISH COMMUNITY IN THE NAME OF ENOSIS SEEM, UNFORTUNATELY,
TO HAVE EVADED YOUR EXCELLENCY.
TODAY AFTER READING ABOUT ALL THAT YOU HAD TO SAY AT YOUR
PRESS CONFERENCE WE ARE GLAD THAT WE DID NOT ATTEND IT SINCE
YOU OBVIOUSLY AND SPECIFICALLY AIMED AT SOOTHING YOUR GREEK
FRIENDS AT THE EXPENSE OF THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS.
IF THE U.S.A. POLICY IS WHAT YOU HAVE STATED IT TO BE AT
YOUR PRESS CONFERENCE THEN WE FULLY ENDORSE ALL THAT IS ADVOCATED
TO THE EFFECT THAT THE LESS THE U.S.A. HAS TO DO WITH THE
CYPRUS PROBLEM THE BETTER FOR CYPRUS. IT SEEMS, JUDGING
BY WHAT YOU HAVE STATED, THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IS BENT ON
PURSUING ITS WRONG AND PRO-GREEK POLICY. THIS NEGATIVE AND
WRONG AMERICAN ATTITUDE CANNOT CONTRIBUTE TO A PEACEFUL
SOLUTION OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM. ON THE CONTRARY IT RENDERS
IT EVEN MORE INEXTRICABLE. SO LONG AS YOUR PRESENT APPROACH
BO THE CYPRUS PROBLEM REMAINS UNALTERED AND YOU CONTINUE TO
TURN A BLIND EYE TO THE REALITIES YOU CANNOT IN ANY WAY
BE EXPECTED TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE PEACE IN THIS REGION.
TO EXERT PRESSURE ON ONE PARTY IN ORDER TO WIN THE
SYMPATHY OF THE OTHER CANNOT BE RECONCILED WITH THE
CONCEPT OF SAFEGUARDING WORLD PEACE BY A SUPER POWER.
WE SHALL, THEREFORE, FULLY SUPPORT OUR LEADERSHIP IN ALL
ITS DYNAMIC MEASURES TO BE TAKEN AGAINST ALL THOSE WHO WILL
RECOGNIZE THE NEW GREEK CYPRIOT LEADER TO BE ELECTED AS "THE
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GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS". END TEXT

2. EMBASSY RECEIVED TWO SEALED ENVELOPES ADDRESSED TO
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE CLIFFORD AUGUST 11 AND FORWARDED
THEM TO EUR/SE FOR TRANSMITTAL TO HIM. ENVELOPES DID NOT SHOW
NAME OR ADDRESS OF SENDER. COURTESY COPY WAS PROVIDED, BUT WE
PRESUME AT LEAST ONE OF THE LETTERS CONTAINS THE JOURNALISTS'
STATEMENT.

3. EMBASSY READS INTO JOURNALISTS' STATEMENT A SENSE OF THEIR
PIQUE AT HAVING BEEN PRECLUDED BY TFSC LEADERSHIP FROM ATTENDING
CLIFFORD PRESS CONFERENCE WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN TO THEM AN
IMPORTANT AND NEWSWORTHY EVENT.
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